

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY)	
d/b/a AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER TO ASSESS)	
A SURCHARGE UNDER KRS 278.183 TO)	
RECOVER COSTS OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE)	CASE NO. 96-489
CLEAN AIR ACT AND THOSE ENVIRONMENTAL)	
REQUIREMENTS WHICH APPLY TO COAL)	
COMBUSTION WASTE AND BY-PRODUCTS)	

O R D E R

On November 27, 1996, Kentucky Power Company, d/b/a American Electric Power ("Kentucky Power"), filed an application, pursuant to KRS 278.183, for approval of its environmental compliance plan and rate surcharge to recover its costs of environmental compliance. Kentucky Power proposes to make the surcharge effective on December 31, 1996.

After reviewing the application and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that further proceedings are necessary to determine the reasonableness and cost-effectiveness of the proposed environmental compliance plan and rate surcharge. Pursuant to KRS 278.183(2), the Commission has six months from the date the application is filed to conduct these further proceedings.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Kentucky Power's proposed rate surcharge is suspended through May 26, 1997.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A to this Order shall be followed.

3. All requests for information and responses thereto shall be appropriately indexed. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and 10 copies to the Commission.

4. Kentucky Power shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, Kentucky Power shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

5. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and shall be granted only upon a showing of good cause.


6. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of December, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 96-489 DATED DECEMBER 19, 1996

All requests for information to Kentucky Power shall be filed no
later than 01/13/97

Kentucky Power shall file responses to the requests for information
no later than 01/27/97

All supplemental requests for information to Kentucky Power shall
be filed no later than 02/07/97

Kentucky Power shall file responses to supplemental requests for
information no later than 02/18/97

Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form shall be
filed no later than 03/03/97

All requests for information to Intervenors shall be filed no
later than 03/14/97

Last day for Kentucky Power to publish notice of hearing date 03/25/97

Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information
no later than 03/26/97

Public Hearing is to begin at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time,
in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel
Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of
witnesses of Kentucky Power and Intervenors 04/02/97

Parties may submit written briefs no later than 04/25/97